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SEASON FINALE

This is the final series of the 2012 Pennsylvania Crop & Weather Roundup. We would like to thank all of the individuals who supplied information to make this release possible. The Weekly Crop & Weather Roundup will resume the first week of April 2013.

If you have any suggestions for information to add or delete from this report, please let us know. You can mail, fax or email suggestions using the information at the top of this release.

Excellent Week for Field Work: Pennsylvania had an average of 6 days suitable for field work. Field activities were finishing harvest of corn and soybeans, and cleaning machinery for winter storage. Fall plowing continues and is 94% complete, ahead of 83% at this time last year and the five year average of 88%.

PA Topsoil Moisture for Week Ending November 25, 2012

Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
0	0	95	5

Crop Progress: The corn for grain harvest continues and is 94% complete, ahead of last year's 87% and also ahead of the average of 86%. Winter wheat is 89% emerged, slightly ahead of last year's 85%, but below the average of 92%. The soybean harvest continues and is 94% complete, compared to 87% last year and the average of 89%.

Crop Condition: Winter wheat conditions are; 0% very poor, 1% poor, 13% fair, 60% good, and 26% excellent. Pasture conditions are; 7% very poor, 16% poor, 29% fair, 31% good and 17% excellent.

Nationwide as of November 18, 2012: With the exception of northern Montana and portions of the Gulf Coast States, near-normal temperatures blanketed much of the United States during the week. Those conditions favored late season fieldwork. Much of the eastern half of the country received precipitation during the week, although most accumulations were below normal, leaving overwintered small grain crops and pastures in need of additional moisture. Elsewhere, eastern Oregon and Washington received rainfall totaling more than 200 percent of normal; however, the moisture was of little benefit to a winter wheat crop that has been negatively impacted by prolonged dryness.

Winter Wheat: Eighty-four percent of the 2013 winter wheat crop had emerged by week's end, 2 percentage points behind both last year and the 5 year average. The most significant delays were evident in Montana and South Dakota, where unusually dry conditions throughout much of the fall have negatively impacted crop emergence and development. Overall, 34 percent of the winter wheat crop was reported in good to excellent condition, down 2 percentage points from last week and 16 points below the same time last year.

Weather Data For Week Ending November 25, 2012

Station	Last Week Weather Summary						April 1 - November 25, 2012					
	Temperature			Precipitation			Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F
	High	Low	Average	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Northwest												
Erie	61	30	44	4	0.17	1	26.29	-3.53	84	3,258	611	5,261
Franklin_AG	59	26	39	2	0.02	1	24.62	-6.47	108	2,898	489	4,818
Meadville-Port	59	28	43	6	0.04	2	28.35	-3.41	98	3,046	842	5,029
Clarion	59	24	38	1	0.10	3	29.07	-3.27	102	2,529	110	4,410
Springboro	59	25	40	0	0.18	2	31.74	3.07	98	2,579	-8	4,466
Warren	59	23	39	3	0.08	2	25.36	-6.28	102	2,725	402	4,629
North Central												
Bradford Region	57	25	38	6	0.14	2	27.83	-3.41	102	2,431	776	4,304
Oswayo	58	14	35	2	0.15	2	25.22	-4.62	94	2,048	212	3,836
Kane	56	16	35	2	0.18	2	30.00	-2.06	101	2,109	495	3,917
Laporte	51	25	37	0	0.11	2	38.92	10.02	104	2,330	-47	4,192
Lock Haven	55	23	37	-2	0.04	1	26.79	-1.52	103	3,132	601	5,142
Coudersport_1SW	58	18	36	3	0.23	2	30.76	0.92	114	2,191	355	3,998
Renovo	55	25	38	-1	0.04	1	32.08	3.77	100	3,068	537	5,079
Ridgway	59	21	38	3	0.13	2	25.66	-4.98	101	2,542	657	4,432
Stevenson Dam	55	25	38	3	0.06	1	29.42	-1.22	92	2,932	1,047	4,918
Towanda	57	24	38	1	0.01	1	28.56	4.35	97	2,816	418	4,768
Wellsboro	58	24	38	4	0.06	2	25.73	1.62	95	2,241	461	4,091
Williamsport	57	25	40	1	0.01	1	24.56	-4.06	95	3,443	651	5,514
Northeast												
Hawley	59	20	36	-2	0.00	0	30.68	3.19	89	2,459	418	4,375
Wilkes-Barre/Sc	61	27	41	3	0.00	0	28.57	2.19	95	3,264	617	5,290
Susquehanna	56	22	37	4	0.04	1	32.98	3.27	96	2,656	733	4,589
West Central												
Butler	60	23	40	2	0.06	2	26.33	-2.53	96	2,920	417	4,875
New Castle	67	24	42	5	0.02	1	29.87	3.17	87	3,225	719	5,251
Slippery Rock	65	24	42	5	0.11	2	28.22	-0.35	87	3,088	846	5,090
Central												
Altoona/Blair	58	24	39	0	0.03	2	28.54	2.76	86	3,245	580	5,293
DuBois	57	26	39	4	0.12	2	24.61	-4.49	91	2,767	490	4,703
Lewistown	58	26	40	-2	0.04	1	30.55	2.94	99	3,323	394	5,416
Middletown	58	25	41	-1	0.00	0	34.21	6.58	83	3,826	498	5,969
Prince Gallitzi	60	21	35	-3	0.05	1	27.22	-5.62	93	2,667	538	4,602
Selinsgrove	54	24	38	-2	0.00	0	28.72	-0.08	94	3,196	476	5,220
State College	57	27	39	1	0.01	1	29.90	3.77	101	3,103	492	5,123
East Central												
Allentown-Bethel	59	23	40	-1	0.00	0	31.95	1.94	85	3,547	508	5,634
Lehighnton	51	24	36	-5	0.03	1	39.80	9.86	98	2,922	-5	4,949
Matamoras	57	26	39	2	0.00	0	33.88	3.53	109	3,034	421	5,072
Mt_Pocono	55	23	37	4	0.02	1	37.18	4.30	103	2,574	829	4,523
Southwest												
Pittsburgh/Alle	59	28	43	4	0.06	2	25.71	-1.37	89	3,650	959	5,729
Indiana_PA	57	25	40	1	0.04	1	30.10	-1.47	118	3,103	495	5,087
Myersdale	62	19	36	-3	0.07	1	26.91	-3.68	97	2,334	-164	4,214
Chalk_Hill	59	21	36	-6	0.20	1	32.38	2.77	95	2,411	-470	4,278
Pittsburgh Intl	60	28	42	3	0.07	2	26.59	1.51	88	3,488	669	5,534
Connellsville	60	27	39	-3	0.08	1	36.45	6.84	102	3,116	235	5,140
Waynesburg	62	21	39	-1	0.14	1	26.23	-1.13	80	3,051	454	5,038
South Central												
Biglerville	59	27	41	-2	0.00	0	32.37	6.08	80	3,497	242	5,603
Everett	61	21	38	-2	0.02	1	29.37	4.02	91	2,810	152	4,790
Hanover	63	24	40	-3	0.00	0	35.41	9.12	87	3,450	195	5,532
Harrisburg_AP	60	26	42	0	0.05	1	32.96	5.33	86	3,864	526	6,011
South Mountain	58	25	38	-2	0.03	1	40.50	14.72	92	2,803	150	4,779
York	62	24	40	-2	0.00	0	32.41	4.56	91	3,504	251	5,583
Southeast												
Green Lane	58	28	41	-1	0.00	0	35.07	5.98	87	3,509	617	5,614
Hamburg	57	27	40	2	0.00	0	37.72	3.97	98	3,396	789	5,477
West_Chester	60	23	40	-3	0.03	1	34.46	2.89	72	3,463	216	5,530
Lancaster	59	26	41	0	0.05	1	30.01	0.89	74	3,641	576	5,741
Neshaminy Falls	58	23	41	-1	0.00	0	29.33	-3.77	87	3,667	644	5,801
New Holland	58	29	42	2	0.00	0	35.33	6.21	73	3,756	691	5,915
Philadelphia	58	33	45	2	0.00	0	25.71	-2.27	66	4,372	792	6,616
Philadelphia NE	58	30	43	-1	0.00	0	29.68	1.70	73	3,960	380	6,137
Reading	59	26	41	1	0.00	0	30.93	-0.10	85	3,882	882	6,020
Sellersville	59	24	40	-2	0.00	0	33.60	4.51	73	3,208	316	5,243
Doylestown_AG	59	27	41	1	0.01	1	30.18	-2.92	80	3,677	654	5,801

DFN = Departure from normal (using 1961-90 normals period).

Precipitation (rainfall or melted snow or ice) and pan evaporation in inches.

Precipitation days = days with precipitation of .01 inch or more.

Air temperatures in degrees fahrenheit.

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2012 Pennsylvania Crop Weather Reporters

Below is the list of crop weather reporters who volunteered their time to submit valuable input for our 2012 Pennsylvania Crop Weather Report. We want to express our appreciation to all of the reporters who reported their local crop conditions and progress. We also want to give special recognition to our more consistent reporters.

We apologize for any names that might be omitted.

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PA Crop Progress for Week Ending November 25, 2012

Crop	Current Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Fall plowing	94	83	88
Corn, harvested	94	87	86
Wheat, emerged	89	85	92
Soybeans, harvested	94	87	89

PA Crop Condition for Week Ending November 25, 2012

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Wheat	0	1	13	60	26
Pasture	7	16	29	31	17

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